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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDECE:
SEVEN ARGENTINE POLITICAL PRISONERS

REF: 1977 BUENOS AIRES 9662, BUENOS AIRES 0068

1. PURSUANT TO YOUR INQUIRY OF NOVEMBER 11, 1977 TO SECRETARY VANCE REGARDING SEVEN ARGENTINE POLITICAL PRISONERS, THE FOREIGN OFFICE'S WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS HAS JUST INFORMED US THAT EDITH BEATRIZ STAHELLI DE FRIAS (162A/77/11) AND SUSANA PIOLI (167/77/11) ARE STILL UNDER EXECUTIVE DETENTION IN VILLA DEVOTO PRISON; EDUARDO GRUTSKY (164/77/11) AND OSVALDO GASPARINI (163/77/11) ARE UNDER EXECUTIVE DETENTION IN SIERRA CHICA PRISON AND JULIO VARELA (169/77/22) IS UNDER EXECUTIVE DETENTION IN LA PLATA PRISON. ON THE TWO OTHER CASES OF JUAN GONZALEZ (166/77/11) AND EDUARDO GONZALEZ (165/77/11) THE FOREIGN OFFICE HAS REQUESTED MORE DATA IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY THEM.

2. THE US CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN THIS MATTER HAS BEEN COMMUNICATED TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE. THESE CASES WILL CONTINUE UNCLASSIFIED

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TO BE MONITORED BY THE EMBASSY AND WE WILL CONTACT YOU REGARDING ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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